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Mr. Will Kempton, Director California Department of Transportation 1120 N Street Sacramento, CA 95814

Attention: Muhaned Aljabiry, MS-82

Dear Mr. Kempton:

SUBJECT: San Joaquin Council of Governments' 2004 Federal Transportation Improvement

Program Amendment No. 4

We have completed our review of the San Joaquin Council of Governments' (SJCOG) 2004 Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP) Amendment No. 4 submitted by your letter dated January 3, 2005. The amendment includes modifications to both the state and local element of the FTIP.

We approve this amendment pursuant to the July 15, 2004, *Memorandum of Understanding between the Federal Highway Administration, California Division, and the Federal Transit Administration, Region IX* and in accordance with 23 CFR 450. We also find that the amendment was developed based on a continuing, cooperative, comprehensive transportation planning process in accordance with 23 USC 134 and Section 5303 of the Federal Transit Act (49 USC 53). The approved changes made to the program by this amendment do not result in the need to make a conformity determination. Therefore, we find that the FTIP continues to conform to the applicable State Implementation Plan.

This letter also constitutes approval and inclusion of SJCOG's 2004 FTIP Amendment No. 4 into California's 2004/2005 Federal Statewide Transportation Improvement Program.

If you have any questions regarding this action, please contact Mayela Sosa at (916) 498-5022 or Mayela.Sosa@fhwa.dot.gov.

Sincerely,

/s/ Mayela Sosa

For Gene K. Fong Division Administrator



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